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SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO US/RP AGREEMENT OF 1974 CONCERNING GRANT
IN AID TO PHIL V.A. (TIAS 7814)

1. DUE TO CHANGE IN FISCAL YEAR FOR FEDERAL GOVERNMENT,
PHILIPPINE REGIONAL OFFICE OF VA HAS BEEN REQUESTED
BY WASHINGTON OFFICE TO AMEND US/RP AGREEMENT OF 1974
CONCERNING GRANT IN AID TO PHILIPPINE V.A. (TIAS 7814).
THE FOLLOWING IS THE PROPOSED EXCHANGE OF NOTES TO
EFFECT THE NECESSARY AMENDMENTS:

QUOTE: THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN
AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND HAS THE
HONOR TO REFER TO RECENT DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVES
OF OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS REGARDING A CHANGE IN THE
FISCAL YEAR OF THE U.S. FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND THE AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE
PHILIPPINES, SIGNED ON APRIL 4, 1974, RELATING TO THE USE
OF THE VETERAN'S MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AND THE PROVISION OF
MEDICAL CARE AND TREATMENT AND NURSING HOME CARE OF
VETERANS BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE
PHILIPPINES AND THE FURNISHING OF GRANTS-IN-AID BY THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

"IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ABOVE, THE EMBASSY WISHES TO
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INFORM THE DEPARTMENT THAT BY UNITED STATES PUBLIC LAW

93-344, APPROVED ON JULY 12, 1974, THE FISCAL YEAR OF THE UNITED STATES WAS CHANGED COMMENCING THIS YEAR THE NEW FISCAL YEAR FOR THE U.S. GOVERNMENT WILL BEGIN ON OCTOBER 1 AND END ON SEPT. 30 OF THE FOLLOWING YEAR. THE SAME LAW FURTHER PROVIDES THAT ANY LAW PROVIDING FOR AN AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS ENDING ON JUNE 30 OF A YEAR SHALL, IF THAT YEAR IS ANY AFTER 1976, BE CONSIDERED AS MEANING SEPTEMBER 30 OF THAT YEAR.

"IN ORDER THAT THE AFORESAID AGREEMENT MAY REFLECT THE CHANGES RESULTING FROM PUBLIC LAW 93-344, THE EMBASSY PROPOSES THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS TO THE ABOVE CITED AGREEMENT:

"(1) ARTICLE 1, SUBPARAGRAPH (F) IS AMENDED BY DELETING "JUNE 30" AND INSERTING IN LIEU THEREOF "SEPTEMBER 30".

"(2) ARTICLE 1 SUBPARAGRAPH (G) IS AMENDED BY DELETING "JULY 1" AND INSERTING IN LIEU THEREOF "OCTOBER 1".

"(3) ARTICLE 1, SUBPARAGRAPH (K) IS AMENDED BY DELETING "JUNE 30" AND INSERTING IN LIEU THEREOF "SEPTEMBER 30".

"(4) ARTICLE 1 SUBPARAGRAPH (1) IS AMENDED BY DELETING "JUNE 30" AND INSERTING IN LIEU THEREOF "SEPTEMBER 30".

"(5) ARTICLE 16 IS AMENDED BY DELETING "JUNE 30" AND INSERTING IN LIEU THEREOF "SEPTEMBER 30".

"THE EMBASSY WISHES TO FURTHER INFORM THE DEPARTMENT THAT THE TRANSITION QUARTER COMMENCING JULY 1, 1976 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 1976 SHALL BE SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY OF APPROPRIATIONS.

"UPON RECEIPT OF THE DEPARTMENT'S NOTE INDICATING THAT THE FOREGOING PROVISIONS ARE ACCEPTABLE TO THE GOVERNMENT UNCLASSIFIED

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OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA WILL CONSIDER THAT THIS NOTE AND YOUR REPLY THERETO AS CONSTITUTING AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TWO GOVERNMENTS ON THE ABOVE SUBJECT, SUCH AMENDMENT TO TAKE EFFECT ON THE DATE OF YOUR REPLY NOTE.

"THE EMBASSY AVAILS ITSELF OF THIS OPPORTUNITY ..."

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2. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY REQUESTS THE NECESSARY CONCURRENCE
OR AUTHORITY TO EXCHANGE THE ABOVE NOTE WITH THE GOP.

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